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Parish office hours during the Christmas/School holidays 2019.

During January the Parish Office will only be open:
Wednesday 30th/Thursday 31st.
Office hours will return to normal on **Monday 4th February.**

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Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

St Cecilia's Church
23 Byron St Wyong
Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

St John Fisher Mass Centre
Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi
Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

Weekday Mass

St Cecilia's : Mon-Sat: 8.00am
St John Fisher:
Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am
Tue & Fri: 9.15am

Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am
St John Fisher 1st Friday 8.15 - 9.15am
St Cecilia's 1st Friday of the month 7pm
mass followed by prayers - Mass Midnight
concluding 1am Saturday

Reconciliation/Confession

St Cecilia's Saturday morning after the
8am Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm
St John Fisher Saturday at 4.30pm

Anointing of the Sick (First Friday)

St Cecilia's During 8.00am & 11.30am
Mass
St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Monthly Mass

St Barnabas Yarramalong 1st Sunday
11.15am
Filipino Mass Every 3rd Sunday 12pm

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sat St Cecilia's & Wed St John Fisher
(after the 8:00am mass)

Devotion to the Divine Mercy

St Cecilia's Fri after the 8am Mass
St John Fisher Fri after the 9:15am Mass

St Cecilia's Church

Rosary Group 2pm Tuesdays
Legion of Mary 8am Wednesdays



Catholic Youth Broken Bay World Youth Day Pilgrims to Panama!

Please keep our 65 Broken Bay pilgrims in prayer on their journey to Panama, with first stop Mexico City! Our students, young adults, leaders and chaplains have joined more

than 1,000 Australians in Panama City for World Youth Day which commenced on 22 January. Please keep them in your prayers!

Holy Rosary—Please note the Rosary will be recited not only after 8am Mass each day and Tuesdays 2pm BUT also after the 7.30am Mass on Sundays at St Cecilia's.

Keep Us In Your Prayers

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

Sick: Len Miller, Sandy Riach, Sr Sylvia Markulin.

Recently Deceased: Anne Ward, Patricia Unger.

Anniversary: Pietro Cesca, Margaret Andrich, Armida Bito-on, Peter White, Tony Kerr.

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Vision *The Wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community*

Mission Statement *We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel :
Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform*



3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C 27th January 2019



Gospel Reflection

Reproduced from God's Word 2019: Daily Reflections, published by St Pauls Publications, Strathfield.

There are some things we need to highlight in Luke's Gospel for today.

Firstly, that Jesus had that power of spirit in him. Secondly, that he had already been active in a synagogue-teaching ministry throughout Galilee before he came to his home town of Nazareth. Thirdly, the initial response to Jesus had been one of praise. However, note too that Luke says nothing about healing! Fourthly, the text tells us that Jesus was in the habit of going to synagogue on the Sabbath—he was used to practising his faith.

What is also significant is that Jesus could read, and read in Hebrew at that. At this point in history, Hebrew was not widely spoken and only a select few could read it. Indeed, the master of the synagogue would occasionally invite special guests to read and comment and it is in this context that Jesus is handed the scroll of Isaiah. The reading was a source of hope for a dispirited people, not long returned from their exile in Babylon. It comes from the heart of God and God's concern for the poor, the captives, the blind and the oppressed. By claiming that the Scripture 'is being fulfilled today', Jesus is effectively claiming that he is the One God cared deeply and the audience in the synagogue at Nazareth understood themselves as the oppressed of Isaiah's prophecy. Just as it was then, so it is now. The message of the Gospel is that we have a God who cares deeply for us. How deeply do we care for God by taking care of the poor, the captives, the blind and the oppressed?

Parish Liturgy Committee

Is the overall liturgical life of the parish varied enough?

Are there groups in our parish (e.g., children or seniors) that the liturgies could serve better?

What seasons or feasts affect the way we celebrate liturgy as a whole parish community?

Are some overemphasized... or neglected?

Are we a welcoming community?

Do regular parishioners arriving at Sunday Mass feel that this is a good place for all to be? Do visitors or new parishioners feel warmly welcomed and feel "at home"?

What in our celebration helps us praise God?

What in our celebration hinders our praise?

These and similar questions are what the Parish Liturgical Committee ponder and try and answer.

Can you help us?

If the committee is to be truly representative of the Parish then we need more people.

Ideally, the Liturgy Committee should have between seven and ten members and include representatives of various liturgical ministries (music, readers, etc) as well as parishioners who aren't involved in a particular liturgical ministry.

Should you wish to know more, you can speak to one of our priests, or contact Jo in the parish office 4352 1011

A message from Missionaries of Charity Sisters

Dear Parishioners at Wyong Parish
Sending you our love, prayers and gratitude for your kind gift especially this Christmas (for your continued support); it will surely go a long way.
May each one of you be greatly Blessed by the good Lord and may the coming year be a grace-filled one.
With love & prayers
Missionaries of Charity Sisters



Whilst Helen and her husband Tony were doing some travelling last October, Helen had the opportunity to call in and visit with the Sisters at Dareton just outside of Wentworth NSW and say hello from Wyong Parish.

Catechist Ministry 2019

Welcome back to the New Year. We hope you have all had a restful holiday and are ready to embrace the year ahead.

All Catechists/Helpers are invited to our meeting on **Monday 4th February 11am in our Parish Centre.**

To those Catechists/Helpers who are leaving us this year, we extend our deepest gratitude for your faith and love you have shared with the children.

If anyone is interested in joining this special ministry, please join us or give us a call and we will be happy to give you further information.

Catechists do make a difference. They share the most basic message of God's love and this brings great hope to young people. For people of faith, knowing you are participating in Christ's call to share the Good News, is a great source of joy and meaning.

Feast of Infant of Jesus—Celebrated 20th January St John Fisher Tumbi

There is a very strong and widespread devotion to the Christ Child among Filipinos that is why there is a good number of celebrations in January in Sydney, around Australia and in many countries where Filipinos are present.



This colourful feast is not just about the lively and colourful celebrations, but is also a reminder that God doesn't only come to us in the great events of our salvation history with sometimes dramatic and monumental gestures. He comes to us in simplicity and normality of love, patience, humility, obedience and labour of daily life. Yes, he comes to us big, but more often he visits us small. We meet the same God and Lord of history in the great and little things, like the little infant Jesus.

This feast challenges us to have a more open attitude to seek God in these simple things, and to give thanks for his presence, graces and blessings.



Last Sunday, more than four hundred people joined the celebration at St John Fisher Tumbi with a Mass followed by an afternoon of entertainment and food.

Parishioners of Wyong Parish and devotees from Sydney, Newcastle and neighbouring parishes shared faith experience, hospitality, joy and laughter. This was a beautiful celebration which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who

attended. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this day a wonderful celebration.

Extra Mower's Required



We are appealing for more mowers for 2019, in fact we are desperate. If there is any person who would be kind enough to join us in the mowing and general maintenance of the Church (approx. 1 hr four times a year depending on the numbers we have) please contact the Parish Office 4352 1011 or 4388 2938. Thank you.

Combined Woman's Get Together Group and Men's Breakfast

To start of the new year we are going to have a combined Woman's Get Together Group and Men's Breakfast for February. This will be held on **Monday 11th February @ 10.30am in the Parish hall at Wyong.** Please come along and enjoy some fellowship and a good feed.

Please RSVP by Friday 8th Feb to Jo 0424 763 734 or office@wyongcatholicparish.com

Pope Francis'

Prayer Intention for January
Young People and the Example of Mary; That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 3rd February 2019
First Reading Jeremiah 1;4-5, 17-19;

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13;

Gospel Luke 4:21-30

You may view next week's readings by visiting this web site: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

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Emailing your

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